

A.I.D.'s International Police Academy  
of the Office of Public Safety

The International Police Academy, the only institution of its kind devoted solely for the training of police officers from foreign countries, was established in 1963. It represents the sole resource available to the United States for inculcating modern professional concepts in police administration and management. The emphasis of Academy training programs is on the use of police resources for the protection of life and property and individual freedoms for all peoples and in a manner acceptable to them. This has been the doctrine of the Academy since its inception.

The Administration is requesting \$1.5 million for training 400 participants from up to 53 countries. Additionally, about 50 self-funded participants and 100 participants funded with narcotics funds (FAA, Section 481) are expected to be trained in FY 1975.

It is intended that police officers attending the Academy will return to their countries and teach others. Nearly 5,000 officers from 77 countries have graduated from the IPA to date. Eleven graduates are now commanders of national police forces. The training programs deal primarily with police administration, management and supervision for both middle management and senior officer levels of the police institution. Specialized training programs are also offered including special courses in the prevention and investigation of criminal violence and the use of institutional resources to support narcotics law enforcement.

A board of trustees will soon be formed which will engage representatives from the law enforcement profession, other government officials and the private sector for the provision of counsel to the Office of Public Safety and the Administrator of A.I.D. relative to the operations of the Academy and the specific content of Academy curricula.

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